# STATE PROGRAMS TO ASSIST COMMUNITIES IN DISTRICT HEATING AND COOLING

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#### Introduction

District heating long has been recognized by the international community as one of the more energy-efficient methods of providing heat to end users. In general, the U.S. Department of Energy supports more efficient use of energy because this slows down growth in energy demand, which in turn can extend the availability of low-cost fossil energy resources, thus moderating price increases.

The concept of district heating is simple. Use one source of thermal energy to heat (and sometimes cool) more than one building—the number of buildings can be anywhere from two to several hundred. The technology is not quite that simple; but it is a proven technology, with thousands of operating systems around the world.

Most district heating systems in the United States are small ones, "institutional" systems serving groups of buildings like college campuses, military bases, office complexes and industrial parks. Larger systems, serving up to several hundred customers, once were common in America's cities. The systems often were owned and operated by the local electric utilities, and heat was supplied by the excess steam from electrical generating plants. But the systems began to decline in the second quarter of the century, with changes in power plant technology, size, and locations more distant from downtowns. Oil was inexpensive, and buildings used individual boilers. Many systems closed across the country; others continued to operate, but were reduced to a fraction of their peak size.

Slowly, district heating is making a comeback. In several cities, older, deteriorating systems have been purchased and revitalized by cities, nonprofit organizations, or entrepreneurs. In other cities, new systems employing modern technology have been developed.

In some countries, national policy promotes the use of district heating and cooling (DHC). It has been reported that more than 40 percent of domestic heating and cooling requirements are met by district heating and cooling in Denmark, and 70 percent in the Soviet Union. But in the United States, modern district heating and cooling is still in its infancy.

District heating has much to recommend it to cities and to energy users:

Reduced capital costs—centralized heating systems offer users significant savings in capital investment by eliminating the need to buy and install individual on-site boiler systems.

Reduced operating and maintenance costs—District heating reduces operating and maintenance costs by transferring these responsibilities from the building owner or operator to the centralized system.

Increased building space use—District heating systems permit more efficient use of building space by precluding the need to allot space for on-site boilers. The space saved can be utilized more profitably for other purposes.

Improved air quality—Replacing numerous individual boiler systems with one central heating plant reduces emissions and contributes to reduced air pollution.

Low cost—District heating systems are highly capital intensive, but because they can use fuels such as coal, solid waste and cogenerated thermal energy, their fuel costs can be significantly lower than competing systems that use oil or natural gas.

Community and economic development—District heating can promote economic development and revitalization of cities' downtown areas. The availability of a cost-effective, centralized heating system can serve to attract industry and business.<sup>1</sup>

The older district heating systems usually consisted primarily of the heat source and a single pipe to provide steam to customers. The condensate at the end of the line was discharged into the city's wastewater system. Comparing those systems to modern systems is a little like comparing a Model T to a 1988 automobile. Modern district heating/cooling systems often use hot water instead of steam-it can be transported farther, is easier to handle, and more efficient. The water (or condensate, in the case of steam systems) is returned to the energy source and recovered instead of being discharged. There may be a chilled water loop for cooling, or buildings can have individual chillers for air conditioning, driven by the steam or hot water. There are various sources for the thermal energy—coal, oil, or gas-fired boilers; waste-to-energy plants; waste heat from electricalgenerating stations or industrial boilers. Some systems use geothermal energy.

Energy efficiency is greatly increased by cogeneration—using a single facility to produce both electrical energy and thermal energy for a district heating system.

There are several reasons why DHC's comeback in the U.S. is slow—most of them financial.

Capital costs for the system are high. The eco- nomics can be tricky, especially right now when oil prices are stable. For a system to be economically viable, long-term contracts must be signed before construction is begun; this means selling a concept to potential customers and persuading them to give up what they may perceive as control over their own heating/cooling systems to hook into a community system. Local jurisdictions with tight budgets often are hard-pressed to find the funds necessary for feasibility studies and upfront development costs. Programs sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) have assisted a number of communities in feasibility studies and development, and have resulted in successful urban DHC projects.

#### The State Role

Several states, seeing the opportunity to assist cities simultaneously with energy and economic development, have instituted DHC programs. These programs typically provide funds, and sometimes technical assistance, to assist cities with feasibility studies and getting DHC projects off the ground. Some states have long-term programs; others have short-term programs using funds specifically appropriated for that purpose—for example, a single round of grants. Some states have used oil overcharge payback funds as a source of support for district heating programs. In some cases, states have increased the effect of their funding by applying funds as a match for DOE or HUD grants.

The purpose of this document is to examine what states across the country are doing to assist their local jurisdictions in development of district heating and cooling. Fifteen states and the District of Columbia were found to have active programs in this area; these programs are described briefly. A few other states have had district heating programs in the past, but do not have active programs at this time. In each case, a contact person at the state level is listed.

The Department of Energy encourages states to develop active programs to assist communities in district heating and cooling. States without district heating programs may use this document to discover what other states are doing; local officials may use it to seek state assistance where it is available, and to encourage the establishment of state programs where they do not exist.

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### **States with District Heating Programs**

#### ALABAMA

A state-funded feasibility study for a district heating system in Montgomery was completed early this year. The state provided \$40,000 in oil overcharge funds for the study, which yielded results indicating very favorable economics for a district heating loop that would heat the state capitol complex (13 buildings) and a hospital. The state is now working with the legislature to proceed with a bond issue and construction.

The only other district heating system in Alabama, outside of those in college campuses, is in Birmingham. The 60-year-old system is operated by a utility and heats most of the large buildings downtown.

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The California Energy Commission has a Geothermal Grant and Loan Program that funds district heating projects for local jurisdictions. Financial help is offered to cities, counties, and special districts; public utility districts having less than 50 megawatts of generating capacity; local governing bodies having joint agreements; and Native American Indian governments.

Two district heating systems are currently operating in the cities of San Bernadino and Susanville. The San Bernadino district heating system received \$4.6 million from the state's energy commission, \$539,000 from the city of San Bernadino, and \$785,000 from San Bernadino County.

Funding for the Susanville district heating system totalled \$5.9 million with \$1.2 million from the California Energy Commission, \$251,807 from the city of Susanville, \$120,782 from Lassen County, \$2 million from DOE, \$929,000 from HUD, \$1.3 million from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, and \$100,000 from the Farmer's Home Administration.

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The state has awarded grants to finance feasibility studies for district heating projects in three communities: Hartford, Stamford and New Haven.

Hartford received \$98,800 in oil overcharge funds from the state for a Phase I study to look at the feasibility of installing a district heating system that would connect two public housing projects to an existing district heating loop.

Stamford was awarded \$72,200 in oil overcharge funds for a Phase I study that found a district heating project both economically and technically feasible in the downtown area.

In New Haven, the state provided \$209,000 in oil overcharge funds for a Phase II study to develop a marketing and design strategy for a district heating project.

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#### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

A Phase I feasibility study, co-funded by the D.C. Energy Office and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, has just been completed. Plans are now underway for a Phase II study that will look in more detail at the economic and technical feasibility of installing a district heating system to serve commercial customers and a public housing complex in Northwest D.C. This second study will also be co-funded by the D.C. Energy Office and HUD.

Another District-funded study is being conducted to upgrade the existing steam system at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. The study, which is nearly completed, is looking into the feasibility of converting

the system to hot water.

The district is also looking at the district heating systems on Capitol Hill and the GSA plant for possible upgrading and conversion to hot water.

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The state has funded geothermal district heating projects in Elko, Wells and Carlin. It has also played a role in facilitating the entry of Piper Hydro Company (now Catalyst Energy Systems) into Nevada, which has resulted in the development of district heating projects that are now providing heat to over 1,000 units throughout the state. The state kept in close touch with the company, played an inviting and encouraging role, and sponsored the company for a license from a contracting board.

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#### **NEW JERSEY**

The state's Office of Energy Planning has a district heating/cogeneration program that is run by a staff of three people. District heating projects being funded by the program include those in Jersey City, Camden and Atlantic City.

In Jersey City, the state provided \$55,000 to cover the full cost of a pre-feasibility study to identify the potential users and the cost effectiveness of a district heating project. The study was completed in July 1988 with favorable reports on the project in question.

In Camden, the state provided \$25,000 for a study that identified the first leg of a refuse-fired district heating system that will serve Rutgers University and Riverfront State Prison.

Over the past few months, the state has been actively pursuing the possibility of developing a district heating project in Atlantic City. Preliminary investigations have looked at the possibility of a district heating system that would service the Northeast Inlet, a redevelopment area slated for renovation. State officials have met with the mayor and initial contacts have been made with private developers who have indicated some interest in the project and the possibility of a public-private venture. The initial feeling is that upcoming studies will yield favorable reports for the project.

The state expects to continue playing a significant role in developing additional district heating projects, especially in connection with the development of waste-to-energy facilities that are being planned for every one of the 21 counties. In July 1988, the state announced the creation of a low-interest subsidy and revolving loan program to finance district heating/waste-to-energy projects with funds of up to \$3 million.

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New York's district heating and cooling program is within the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), which has been involved with DHC since the early 1980's.

NYSERDA is a research and development organization, with an annual research budget of about \$10 million. Funding is from a variety of sources, including a tax on ratepayers—i.e., on the sale of electricity and gas; \$2.5 million a year from the Power Authority of the State of New York under a five-year agreement; and from other sources. In addition, in 1987 the state legislature mandated that NYSERDA receive \$1.5 million in state oil overcharge funds for technology R&D, including district heating, cogeneration, alternate fuels, and innovative electric generation technologies. NYSERDA has the authority to issue bonds.

Over the past six years, out of NYSERDA's approximately \$60 million in R&D grants and contracts, about \$1.9 million has been for DHC projects.

NYSERDA awards grants to localities for Phase I and Phase II DHC feasibility studies. It also assists the communities in such areas as marketing, technology, and working for any state legislation needed to help the projects. In addition, NYSERDA has supported some communities' proposals for federal programs, co-funding the projects with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

NYSERDA's three major DHC successes to date are the systems in the cities of Jamestown, Rochester and Buffalo.

In Jamestown, NYSERDA funded Phase I and Phase II studies which, with strong local leadership, resulted in the construction of a system that began operating in 1984 and was expanded shortly thereafter.

In Rochester, the utility planned to abandon its district heating system. NYSERDA, along with local government and business leaders, put together a user cooperative that bought the system and is currently operating it.

In Buffalo, NYSERDA assistance resulted in a district heating system that has completed its second winter; there are five large buildings on the system, and it is expected to grow.

Other communities currently being assisted by NYSERDA include:

- Dunkirk—A Phase I study involving possible DHC for a planned harborfront development is being completed.
- Onondaga County and the City of Syracuse—Following a Phase I study sponsored by NYSERDA and DOE, a Phase II study is about to begin.
- Broome County and the City of Binghamton—A Phase I study has been completed, and a Phase II study is being considered.
- Albany County and the City of Albany—A Phase II study is underway with assistance from NYSERDA and HUD.
- Nassau County—NYSERDA is working with Nassau District Energy Co. (a subsidiary of Trigen Energy Corp.) to expand the Nassau County district heating system to include a hospital, a prison, and part of downtown Mineola. The increased thermal load would be used to develop a 50 MW electric generating plant.
- Port Jefferson—A Phase I study has been completed, and additional work is being discussed.

#### 1988 Initiatives

Using the oil overcharge monies, NYSERDA issued an RFP in early 1988. Each grant was to be matched by an equal amount from the proposer. Of the \$1.5 million, \$500,000 was for complex Phase II studies, in amounts of \$100,000 each; the remaining \$1 million was for Phase I studies of \$25,000 each. This was across the technology areas mentioned above; about 10 proposals were for district heating projects. The cities of Auburn, Long Beach, Troy, Glen Cove, Jamestown, Buffalo, and the Rochester District Heating Cooperative are in the process of negotiating contracts with the state for district heating projects. Funding is expected to range from \$10,000 to \$100,000.

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#### State and Local Funding

NYSERDA's strategy is to give more help to communities in the early years of district heating development, so that the communities can get the projects started and then assume more of the financial burden as the project progresses. Following is a breakdown of NYSERDA and local funding (including construction funds), by year:

Year	NYSERDA	Local	
1982	\$ 50,000	\$ 40,000	
1983	350,000	100,000	
1984	360,000	1.35 million	
1985	80,000	3 million	
1986	670,000	550,000	
1987	430,000	10.7 million	

To date, NYSERDA has contributed about \$1.4 million into the successful projects in Jamestown, Rochester and Buffalo; the localities have contributed about \$15.6 million, for a total of about \$17 million.

According to NYSERDA estimates, these expenditures have resulted in about 160 construction job-years, almost 400 total job-years, and about \$44 million benefits to the local economies as the dollars are turned over an average of three times.

Other benefits directly affect the cities' economic development. In Jamestown, the system has resulted in the lowering of heating costs by 20-45%; in Rochester, more than 40%; and in Buffalo, about 20-30%. In Jamestown, a new telephone company facility has been built and is on the system, bringing about 100 new jobs to the city; also, there is an industrial incubator on the system. Part of Jamestown's economic development strategy is to market itself as having low electric costs (because of the municipally-owned utility) and low thermal energy costs.

#### Future Activities

NYSERDA plans a project to help address some of the marketing issues related to DHC, both in marketing the concept of district heating and cooling to the communities and in helping the communities to market the system to building owners.

Also, NYSERDA plans a project in the near future to identify potential sites in New York State that have the technical and economic long-term feasibility for city-wide DHC systems. Over a five- or six-year period, NYSERDA will work with these communities to develop the district heating systems.

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In 1986, the Governor's Energy Council commissioned a study to assess the state of district heating and cooling in the state of Pennsylvania. The study identified the location of operating and abandoned DHC facilities, their current status, reason for abandonment if no longer operating, and their potential for future operations. The study identified 38 communities with significant potential for district heating.

Following this study, a two-year, \$414,000 program of Phase I feasibility assessments was instituted. The program funded a total of 13 sites that included abandoned systems, operating systems that maybe expanded, and sites for new systems. Between late 1987 and August 1988, the Governor's Energy Council provided 80 percent of the funds for studies at the following sites:

Site	State Funds	
City of Chester	\$32,000	
City of Easton	32,000	
Borough of Chambersburg	32,000	
Wilkes-Barre Steam Heat Authority	32,000	
Chester County	32,000	
Montgomery County	29,470	
Philadelphia Thermal Energy Corporation	20,000	
Pittsburgh Allegheny County Thermal	35,000	
Borough of Kutztown	31,200	
Community Central Energy Corporation	20,000	
City of Erie	35,000	
Mercer County	15,500	
City of Harrisburg	35,000	

The municipalities provided the remaining 20 percent. Sources of the state funds were the state Energy Extension Service, the State Energy Conservation Program, and oil overcharge funds.

The state is considering a Phase II feasibility assessment grant program if funds can be obtained.

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A feasibility study for a district heating system in the city of Providence was completed in late August by Burns and Roe, Inc. The state provided \$45,000 in oil overcharge funds for the study, which yielded favorable results. A committee made up of the governor and state and city representatives is now reviewing the study.

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The state is currently working with Salt Lake City on a project to replace the city's existing district heating system which is old and incapable of generating new customers. A feasibility study was completed in July 1988, and the city has put out an RFQ and selected an engineering firm to conduct further studies for the project. The cost of the project is estimated at \$13 million, though exactly how it will be financed is yet to be determined. The state has not committed any funds to the project but is playing a supportive role by suppying one of its state engineers to serve on the Review and Selection Committee for the RFP/RFQ that was sent out by the city.

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The State Energy Office has been a prime mover in the district heating projects in Takoma, Seattle and Olympia. The assistance it is providing to these communities is being financed by \$400,000 in oil overcharge funds (released in March 1988) to be used over a period of three years.

In Takoma, the state has provided \$55,000 for a district heating project that will serve the city's historic warehouse district which is slated for major renovation. A Phase I feasibility study was completed in October 1987 and yielded favorable results. A proposal to HUD for Phase II funds is being submitted. As a first step in the renovation process, the city is actively working on plans to convert the old train station into a federal courthouse and is presently negotiating a lease with GSA. A district heating system in the warehouse district area is especially promising because the area is adjacent to downtown Takoma, making expansion of the system in the future a real possibility.

In Seattle, the state is working with METRO (the agency that handles the sewage service for Seattle and King County and manages the transit system) to develop a project that would use sewage effluent

from a treatment plant as a heat source in conjunction with a heat pump. The 12-mile effluent pipeline has 8 tap sites and efforts are now concentrated on marketing the taps with nearby industies. The state

has provided \$15,000 to fund a feasibility study for the project.

In Olympia, the state has provided \$30,000 for feasibility studies for the expansion of the district heating system that is servicing the state capitol complex. The state is working with the city to cut costs on the project. Efforts are being made to try to coincide plans for the heating loop expansion with the city's plans to expand the sewer line capacity, so that distribution lines for the heating loop can be laid down simultaneously as the roads are dug up for the sewer line project.

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The city of Wheatland is currently conducting a demonstration project using waste heat. The \$500,000 project is being funded by the city of Wheatland, the State Farm Loan Board, and oil overcharge funds.

The campus of the University of Wyoming has a small scale district heating system; a district heating system in Cheyenne was discontinued in 1970.

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# States without District Heating Programs

#### **ALASKA**

Alaska does not have a program to fund district heating in the state, however, the state conducts preliminary energy studies for smaller communities searching for alternative energy sources, including district heating.

Fairbanks utilizes a steam loop in its downtown area. Also, the state of Alaska undertakes small projects in rural communities where waste heat retrofits are used for single buildings. One such project is in the community of Bethel where waste heat is used for a hospital.

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Due to budget limitations, Arizona does not have a program to fund or promote district cooling in the state. There are no existing district cooling systems in Arizona.

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There are no state-funded district heating projects in Delaware. The state strongly supported the city of Dover's application for a grant from the U.S. Department of Energy for a district heating feasibility study, which had favorable results and was completed in May 1988. DOE provided \$39,282 in funds for the project, and the city of Dover provided \$10,000. The city of Dover is in the process of issuing a request for qualifications for both technical and contract specs.

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There are currently no active district heating projects in Iowa, but the state has funded a study to look at the feasibility of a district heating system for Iowa State University. There may also be some locally-funded work in the future going on to explore district heating possibilities in Des Moines and Waterloo.

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Kentucky does not have a program to fund or promote district heating development in the state, primarily because of budget limitations.

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#### LOUISIANA

Louisiana does not have a program to fund or promote district cooling in the state.

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#### MARYLAND

There are no DHC projects in Maryland that are funded or sponsored by the state, according to the Maryland Energy Office.

Baltimore has a downtown steam system that is owned and operated by Baltimore Thermal Energy Company, a private firm.

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#### MAINE

There are no current district heating programs in Maine according to the Maine Office of Energy Resources. However, it does provide assistance on a case by case basis to any public official or private party who requests it. District heating in Maine is mostly confined to military bases, college campuses, several large institutions, and about 20 industrial facilities.

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#### MASSACHUSETTS

Currently, Massachusetts is in the discussion stages concerning the introduction of district heating in various areas in the state. Feasibility studies may be conducted in the future based on preliminary district heating proposals. Also, there is a privately-owned steam heating loop in the city of Boston.

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#### **MICHIGAN**

There is currently no state involvement in district heating in Michigan. In the past, the state has contracted with MURRA, a consulting firm that conducted feasibility studies for a number of communities. The latest activity the state participated in was in Muskegon County, where the state co-funded a feasibility study for a district heating system for a HUD public housing project. The state contributed \$12,000, less than half of the total cost of the study, which concluded that the current price of gas does not make district heating an economically attractive option. According to Terry Black, Director of the Michigan Office of Energy Programs, because of the relatively low cost of gas and fuels at present, the state's involvement with district heating is "on hold" until there is a change in the energy market.

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#### **MINNESOTA**

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Minnesota's district heating program, formerly run by the now defunct Department of Energy and Economic Development (DEED), is now dormant as a result of budget cuts and the low cost of natural gas in comparison to capital intensive district heating projects.

DEED, which functioned primarily to review and approve applications for financing new business and energy-related projects, was replaced in June 1986 when the state legislature dissolved DEED and

created in its place the Public Facilities Authority.

The last district heating project funded by DEED was in the city of Virginia, for which DEED authorized a \$139,896 design loan to Virginia Public Utility for the conversion of a steam system to a hot water loop.

Since then, the only other project the state has been involved in is with Becker County for which the state provided a loan of \$250,000 to implement a small district heating system.

The state presently has no future plans to fund or sponsor district heating development.

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#### MISSISSIPPI

There are no district heating systems in Mississippi and no state program to fund or promote district heating development.

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#### **MONTANA**

The state has funded some feasibility studies for geothermal district heating, but there is presently no program to fund or promote district heating development in the state.

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#### **NEBRASKA**

There is no state program to fund or promote district heating development in Nebraska. There are no existing district heating systems in the state, but plans are underway to develop one in Lincoln with the help of funds from the U.S. Department of Energy.

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#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE**

There is no state program to fund or promote district heating development in New Hampshire.

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#### **NEW MEXICO**

There is no state program to fund or promote district heating development in New Mexico.

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#### NORTH CAROLINA

There is no state program to fund or promote district heating development in North Carolina.

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#### · NORTH DAKOTA

There is no state program to fund or promote district heating development in North Dakota.

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There is no state program to fund district heating projects in Ohio, primarily because of cutbacks in federal funding, according to Paul Haytcher, Program Manager of the Office of Energy Conservation. In January 1988, the state considered initiating a program to promote district heating but had to discard the idea as a result of budget limitations.

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#### OKLAHOMA

There are no state-funded district heating or cooling programs in Oklahoma.

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#### OREGON

Due to a lack of funds, there are no current studies being conducted in Oregon. However, in 1987 a HUD-sponsored Phase I feasibility study on district heating was conducted for the city of Springfield. This study found that district heating would be technically feasible but not economically feasible, and no other further action was taken.

Eugene's district heating system is currently operational, and there are smaller district heating systems on college campuses. The system serves two square miles in which steam service is provided to the downtown area, a college campus, a large hospital, a cannery, and a 16 acre greenhouse complex.

The Portland district heating system, judged too costly to run, was shut down in 1986. The Klamath Falls project, the state's only large geothermal district heating system, has been temporarily shut down in order to add improvements to the system.

The Klamath Falls facility, which is expected to re-open in mid-1989, will serve 14 city, county, state, and federal office buildings.

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#### SOUTH CAROLINA

The state has oil overcharge funds that could be utilized for district heating development, but no interest has been expressed by any of the localities. There are no DHC systems in the state, outside of those in some college campuses.

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#### SOUTH DAKOTA

There is no state program to fund or promote district heating development in South Dakota. The district heating systems that do exist—in Brookings, Watertown, and Phillip—are all city-funded and operated.

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#### TENNESSEE

The state has not made any efforts to fund or promote district heating development in Tennessee ever since it assisted in the funding of the Nashville Thermal district heating system fifteen years ago.

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#### TEXAS

There are no state-funded district heating projects in Texas. The district heating/cooling systems in Houston and San Antonio are co-funded by the cities and the U.S. Department of Energy.

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#### VERMONT

There is no state program to fund or promote district heating development in Vermont.

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#### WEST VIRGINIA

There is no state program to fund or promote district heating development in West Virginia.

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#### WISCONSIN

There is no state program to fund or promote district heating development in Wisconsin.

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